<u>REMARKS</u>

Favorable reconsideration of the subject application is respectfully considered in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Following the amendments, claims 23-46 are pending in the application.

Claims 30, 41 and 42 have been amended to correct minor typographical errors and to add the correct Markush group language. Claims 23, 25, 27, 29, 31 and 33 have been amended to recite a method for the detection of prostate cancer in a biological sample, wherein the biological sample is either blood or semen. Support for this amendment may be found at page 20, lines 7-9, of the specification as originally filed. It is urged that support for all the above amendments may be found throughout the specification as originally filed and that none of the amendments constitute new matter.

All of the claims remaining in the application are now clearly allowable. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are carnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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